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Wang et al.

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TISSUE INGROWTH

::: Group Art Unit: 3732

::: Examiner: M. B. Priddy

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 16, 2004, finally rejecting claims 1-4, 6, 8-10, 14 and 15, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

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